



North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities
and Substance Abuse Services

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Area Directors

FROM: Stanley A. Slawinski, Ph.D., Chief
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SUBJECT: ADATC Bed Allocations for SFY 2003-2004

The purpose of this communication is to advise you of the bedday allocations for the three state operated Alcohol and Drug Abuse Treatment Centers (ADATCs) and confirm that these separate allocations also begin with the July 1, 2003 implementation of the psychiatric hospital bedday allocations. This memorandum also provides clarification on the process of authorizing admissions to ADATCs which varies slightly from the authorization of admissions to the psychiatric hospitals.

As you are aware, the Division developed a revised bedday allocation plan and system to complement the efforts underway to expand community services and downsize state psychiatric hospital bed capacity. Staff from your respective programs were invited to attend training sessions that were provided regionally June 3rd-5th, 2003. *During the presentation of the authorization procedures your staff were informed that the same authorization and reauthorization forms [DMH 1-73-00 (Rev 0/03) and DMH 5-99-00 (Rev 6/03)] would be used to authorize admissions and continued stay for the ADATCs.* Copies of both forms are attached for your reference.

Since the admissions for the ADATC are scheduled in advance it will be necessary for the area program to initiate the authorization form and complete the following items:

1. Fill in Part 1 of the form as well as Part 2.
2. Record the authorization number in the appropriate box.
3. Record the number of days authorized (in the box labeled "From: ___") rather than the dates, as a bed may become available prior to the scheduled admission date.
4. Faxed or mail the completed authorization form to the ADATC after confirmation of the scheduled appointment and no later than the actual arrival of the admission.

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The ADATCs will be responsible for completing the "Reauthorization for Continued Stay" DMH 5-99-00 (Rev 6/03)] and faxing it to the area programs for additional days, as is the procedure for the psychiatric hospitals.

With the exception of the above variation in authorization procedures the same rules, appeal procedures, and provision of monthly reports apply to the ADATC bedday allocation process.

A chart of the bedday allocations are attached for your review. These initial allocations are based on ADATC utilization by area programs during FY 2000 through 2002. It is the intent of the Division, as is the case with the psychiatric hospitals, to move toward a population based allocation over several years. One possible variation that may influence ADATC bedday allocations in the future is the addition of the acute crisis/detox beds to be established at each facility. Since the acute units will open on different schedules during the next fiscal year due to variations in construction schedules, the attached ADATC bedday allocations will apply to both acute and rehabilitation admissions throughout the SFY 2003-2004 except for two special populations. As you are aware the perinatal and deaf/hard of hearing programs at the Walter B. Jones ADATC accept statewide referrals and as such are not in the bedday allocations. A schedule of adjusted bedday allocations projected through 2007 will be forwarded under separate cover during the next fiscal year.

We hope that this helps to clarify your questions concerning implementing the new process for the ADATCs. If you or your staffs have additional questions regarding the bedday allocations or the authorization or reauthorization process for the ADATCs you may contact Doug Baker or Don Herring in the State Operated Services office at 919-733-3654. You may also contact your respective regional ADATCs for further questions.

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attachments

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**Bedday Allocations for 2003-2004 for
NC Alcohol & Drug Abuse Treatment Centers**

ADATC Facility	Area Program/Local Management Entity	Bedday Allocations Based on 2000-2002
Walter B. Jones	Southeastern Regional	1,169
	Cumberland	254
	Southeastern Center	4,956
	Onslow	1,961
	Wayne	655
	Wilson-Greene	756
	Edgecombe-Nash	919
	Riverstone	462
	Neuse	830
	Pitt	1,875
	Roanoke-Chowan	432
	Tideland	867
	Albemarle	1,732
	Duplin-Sampson-Lenoir	1,184
	Total	18,046
J.F. Keith	Smoky Mountain	1,764
	Blue Ridge	3,480
	New River	1,083
	Trend	1,677
	Foothills	2,121
	Rutherford-Polk	599
	Pathways	1,285
	Catawba	1,033
	Mecklenburg	5,261
	Piedmont	4,158
	Crossroads	830
	Davidson	1,471
	Total	24,762
Butner	CenterPoint	797
	Rockingham	2,057
	Guilford	2,574
	Alamance-Caswell	1,725
	Orange-Person-Chatham	2,901
	Durham	2,618
	Vance-Granville-Franklin-Warren	1,706
	Sandhills Center	2,095
	Lee-Harnett	1,377
	Johnston	552
	Wake	729
	Randolph	818
	Total	19,949

STATE HOSPITAL BED DAY ALLOCATION PLAN

1. Basis for Allocation

Each LME/Area Authority's initial bed day allocation is based on its utilization of the subject beds during fiscal years 2000 through 2002. During the five-year period of 2003 through 2007, the number of bed days available for allocation will be reduced as the number of beds in the hospitals is reduced. Reductions in the number of hospital beds will be facilitated by the expansion of community capacity and the subsequent transfer of funds from the hospitals to the LME/Area Authorities. As the funds are transferred and the hospitals are downsized, the bed day allocation will move from a historical basis to a per capita population basis. At the end of FY 2007, the number of bed days available to each LME/Area Authority will be in direct proportion to the population of the LME/Area Authority.

2. Allocation Categories

Bed days are allocated per LME/Area Authority in four (4) bed categories:

- Adult admissions
- Adult long-term
- Geriatric admissions
- Adolescent admissions

3. Authorization

The LME/Area Authority is responsible for authorizing all admissions and continued stays of patients in the identified bed categories. To provide guidance in initial authorizations, following are the minimum number of days that must be authorized for new admissions:

- Adult and geriatric admissions: three (3) days
- Adolescent admissions: six (6) days
- Adult long-term admissions: 30 days

4. Excess Utilization

Each hospital has a per diem rate that will serve as the basis for computing cost to the LME/Area Authority if the LME/Area Authority exceeds its bed day allocation. Settlement or reconciliation of bed day utilization will be done at the end of the fiscal year. Each LME/Area Authority is responsible for managing its own bed day allocation. The plan does not allow for the exchange of bed days among LME/Area Authorities.

5. Transportation System

Each State hospital will operate a patient transportation system to facilitate timely discharge of patients. The systems will be funded by savings from downsizing and will be used only as a last resort for transporting discharged patients to their home communities when county transportation is untimely or unavailable.

Other Items

- Differences of opinion between an LME/Area Authority and hospital regarding authorization or bed day utilization will be governed by the provisions of 10 NCAC 15A .0126.
- Patient's county of residence is as defined in NCGS 122C-3 (10).

**NORTH CAROLINA DIVISION OF MENTAL
HEALTH/DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES/
SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES**

☐ **Section I:** Fax to: _____ Area Program _____
Contact Person: _____
Fax Number: _____ Date: _____
From: Dorothea Dix Hospital/Ward/Bldg: _____
Person Faxing: _____ Phone#: _____
☐ **Section II: Fax to:** _____ Fax#: _____

REAUTHORIZATION FOR CONTINUED STAY

SECTION I: (To be Completed by Hospital Staff on Request for Reauthorization)

Patient Name: _____ Medical Record #: _____ Date of Birth: _____
Type of Beds: ☐ Adult Admissions ☐ Adult Long-term ☐ Geriatric Admissions ☐ Adolescents/Child Admissions
*Date Current Authorization Expires: _____ Authorization #: _____ Admit Date: _____
Social Worker: _____ Phone #: _____ Fax #: _____

(Attending Physician is responsible for completion)

DSM IV Diagnosis: _____

Current Medications: _____

RATIONALE FOR CONTINUED STAY (Check 1 or 2 and all that apply and complete 3 and 4)

<input type="checkbox"/> 1. Patient requires psychiatric hospitalization and cannot be managed with less intensive supervision <input type="checkbox"/> dangerous to self <input type="checkbox"/> dangerous to others <input type="checkbox"/> dangerous to _____ <input type="checkbox"/> current suicidal ideation <input type="checkbox"/> current homicidal ideation <input type="checkbox"/> persistent psychotic symptoms <input type="checkbox"/> impaired judgment, reality testing, and/or thinking <input type="checkbox"/> neglect of personal hygiene and health endangering welfare <input type="checkbox"/> seclusion/restraint within past 24 hours <input type="checkbox"/> wandering; requires locked facility <input type="checkbox"/> refusing medication and/or treatment <input type="checkbox"/> other: _____ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> 2. Patient cannot be discharged safely <input type="checkbox"/> unable to manage medical illness with available dispositions <input type="checkbox"/> no available transportation <input type="checkbox"/> no disposition has been found to meet patient needs <input type="checkbox"/> other: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> 3. Authorization dates requested (the form date must be the next day after the *above expiration date) *From _____ To _____ (mm dd yy) (mm dd yy) <input type="checkbox"/> 4. Clinical Status: (MUST COMPLETE LEGIBLY) _____ _____ _____
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Clinical Status: Continued _____

SECTION II: (To be Completed by Area Program Authorizing Staff)

Date Requested Received: _____ Date Requested Approved: _____ Authorized From: _____ To: _____
(mm dd yy) (mm dd yy)
Date Requested Denied: _____ Must Complete Form DMH 5-99-97 (B) to Accompany this form is Denying.
Staff Authorizing ☐ or Denying ☐ Continued Stay: (Printed Name): _____

Signature Date Phone Number Fax Number

Fax: As Noted Above
Completed Form: Medical Record

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Area Program Medical Record #: _____

Hospital Medical Record #: _____

REGIONAL REFERRAL FORM

1. TO BE COMPLETED BY ADMITTING FACILITY

☐ Area Program Referral to Regional Psychiatric Hospital

☐ Referral to ADATC

☐ Authorization for Patient Not Referred by Area Program

Area Program: _____ Date: _____ Time: _____

Client's Name: _____
Last First Middle/Maiden

Alias Names: _____

Client's Address: _____

Responsible Party's Name and Address: _____

Responsible Party's Telephone Number: Home: (____) _____ Work: (____) _____

Date of Birth: _____ Race: _____ Commitment Type: _____
MM DD YY

BEFORE ADMISSION CALL:

Referring County: _____	Phone #: _____
Time of Phone Call: _____	
Hospital Staff Making Phone Call: _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> No Response Within 1 Hour of Call:	
If Response – Person Authorizing Days: _____	
Authorization #: _____	From: _____ To*: _____
Hospital Beds	<input type="checkbox"/> ADATC/SA Bed
<input type="checkbox"/> Adult Admissions	
<input type="checkbox"/> Adult Long-term	
<input type="checkbox"/> Geriatric Admissions	
<input type="checkbox"/> Adolescents/Child Admissions	

* Day Not Covered

Responsible County: _____	Phone #: _____
Time of Phone Call: _____	
Hospital Staff Making Phone Call: _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> No Response Within 1 Hour of Call:	
If Response – Person Authorizing Days: _____	
Authorization #: _____	From: _____ To*: _____
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* Day Not Covered

2. TO BE COMPLETED BY AREA PROGRAM

Referral Source to Area Program: _____

Presenting Problem: _____

If currently using: ☐ Alcohol ☐ Drug ☐ Alcohol & Drug Specify: _____

*Psychiatric Diagnosis(es): Axis I: _____

Axis II: _____

*Physical Diagnosis(es): Axis III: _____

*History of Treatment: _____

Previous Admission to Any State Facility (Place and Date): _____

Alternatives Attempted/Considered Prior to Referral to Hospital: _____

Medical History ☐ Heart Disease ☐ Hypertension ☐ Diabetes ☐ Seizure Disorder ☐ Other

Comments: _____

*If this information is not available at time of referral, it must be sent to the hospital within one working day of the client's admission.